**CROYDON PHILATELIC SOCIETY**
**NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD 22 October 2019**

President **Graham Harker** opened the proceedings at 19.35 hours and welcomed **Cliff Hurst** and **Ray Houghton** from **Eltham & Woolwich Philatelic Society** together with the 15 members present.

**Cliff Hurst** started by showing **Russia** with a selection of stamps and postal stationery right through from Imperial Russia until the 1980s. He showed design proofs, colour proofs, colour trials, specimens, mirror prints, printing works imprints and tête beche. The variety of themes included mushrooms, aircraft, helicopters, polar bears, History of Russian Post Offices, 1980 Olympics, Mishka the Bear, World Football Cup 1982 and many others.

After the break **Ray Houghton** brought along **A Miscellany** which included a frame of Swiss Soldier Stamps, two frames of Philatelic Exhibitions from all over the world. Australia from Queen Victoria on through the 1901 Federation and the 1929 Commonwealth. He showed kangaroos, inverted watermarks, O.S. Overprints, and a Western Australia block of four black swans. Jubilee sets followed, then a philatelic history of someone's holidays in France and Spain. A sheet of the 30th Anniversary of Leyland P76 motor vehicle, the Swedish Peace set and then a selection of the Austrian 10 schillings Dollfus stamp. The display ended with a selection of Illustrated Lighthouse sheets.

**Graham Harker** thanked the team of **Cliff** and **Ray** for the attractive quality and variety of the material they had brought along. Team visits always produce something different. The audience expressed its appreciation in the normal way and **Graham** thanked the tea makers and brought the meeting to a close just after 21.00 hours.

Brian Asquith & Graham Harker
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